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## **News**

### **A closer look...**

As well as providing a monthly [DXpedition Timeline](#), it's worth looking ahead, and boy, do we have some great DXpeditions coming up! October and November are going to be busy ! Let's break it down:

### **—OCTOBER—**

**5W0LM**

**YJ0TT**

**TX6D**

**V73AH**

**VK9LAA**

**E51JAN**

**W8S**

**T32AN**

**5X3K**

**E6AM**

**T22T**

**T2C**

**V63AH**

**ZL7/SP5EAQ**

**V6SX**

**H40WA**

**ZD9W**

**V62P**

**TO8FH**

### **T2TT Tuvalu –update October 4**

QRT due to info from local hospital and health Department. We were informed about big flu virus around Tuvalu. Most people already coughing badly. This can be doubled after independence day parties. In this case we decided to go back earlier than planned. We really hope German team T2C will be able to make a good show next week or two. So far big construction company almost finished the project so they will start packing and moving heavy equipment away. Thanks for all qso's Next one soon. Rebel Team.

### **8R, GUYANA DXpedition 2024**

Team members [HA8RT](#), [DJ4MX](#) and [DK6SP](#) met at the QTH of supporter DG8MG in the Bavarian countryside with many dedicated helpers. Together they conducted the second testing and preparation days for the 8R – Guyana 2024 project from 29. – 30.09.2023.

This second gathering was mainly used to do inventory work, document the setup of antennas and do another test run with the respective antennas. At warm fall temperatures and bright sunshine the following tasks were ambitiously accomplished. <https://www.dx-world.net/8r-guyana-dxpedition-2024/>

### **5X3K Uganda –update October 2**

So far, the beverage doesn't perform as we expected. We focused on 40 and 80 the last two nights, but the number of contacts is relatively low. We will try to build better beverage in a single direction. Local noise is too big to be efficient on those bands. Working on 80 is like digging out callsigns on 160 from the other side of the globe. Yesterday, we prepared the third Spiderbeam. The antenna setup is almost ready. We still do not have the DX Commander. We do not have land as we would need for our antennas, and they are close to each other. Monday is finally the first day we do not focus much on antennas and can finally sit by the radio. Hopefully, the new beverage will outperform the existing one.



### **VK9LAA Lord Howe Island –now QRT**

We have almost 17K QSOs made and uploaded to Club Log. We expect to make another 1K or 2K before we leave. OQRS will be enabled when we get home. We had a huge 3-4 hour opening on 6M around 0300Z to Japan and Korea and worked about 200+ stations. We'll continue to monitor 50.313. On October 3 we'll take down our pennant loop receive antenna. First thing October 4 we will take down all antennas, and get packed up to return home. We have seen good sunrise/sunset propagation to EU and will continue to be active then.

### **TX5S Clipperton Island –update**

Clipperton is #28 most wanted in Europe and #37 most wanted globally. FT-8 and 60m have never been activated from Clipperton. We expect the pileups to be deep and energetic, we will do our best to meet the demand.

Sponsor logos appear on our website and will appear on the TX5S QSL card.

We wish to thank the organizations and individuals who have already pledged their support to TX5S and ask those of you who have not yet processed a donation to consider supporting the project before we sail on January 11, 2024.

<https://clip.pdxq.net/>



### **A helping hand...**

Hamadoum – TZ6HY, President of Mali's Radio Club C.R.A.M will attend the IARU General Conference that will be held from November 1 to 4, 2023 in Serbia. He has asked me to make enquiries to see if any radio amateur, club, association or store can help him get equipment that has the 6 meter band. If it cannot be donated he could buy it if it's at an affordable price. If possible he would also appreciate the donation of digital cables, coax cables, microphones, and modems for the radio club. In Mali, it is very difficult to get radio stuff and the price is very high for the salaries they have. Hamadoum has just retired and is committed to being regularly on the bands giving us all the opportunity to contact Mali. Taking advantage of his stay at the IARU conference, it would be good to take any donated items there and give it in person, thus avoiding shipping costs and other possible losses. Anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated. You can contact Hamadoum or EA5GL directly through their [QRZ.COM](https://www.qrz.com) emails.

### **T08FH Mayotte –update October 4**

Less than one week before our expedition to Mayotte to start, we have established the propagation forecasts which you can review on our website. Instructions will be given to each operator in order to direct as much as possible their traffic, taking into account possible openings in the most difficult to contact areas. Therefore, thank you for respecting the recommendations of the operators such as "SA only" or "VK/ZL only" for example.

## **DXCC**

### **This week on air**

**This can change daily, please visit <https://www.dx-world.net/> for updates.**

#### **Pacific Tour by Uli DL2AH**

**V7, MARSHALL ISL** October 3-15 (call pending)

**V6, MICRONESIA** October 18-30 as V63AH

Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8.

**40, MONTENEGRO** A team with OK4MD, OK1TE, OK1MDX, OK1DMR and OK1SIM is active as 4010K. QRV in 'holiday-style' until October 8. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and perhaps some FT8. QSL via LoTW and OK1VEI bureau.

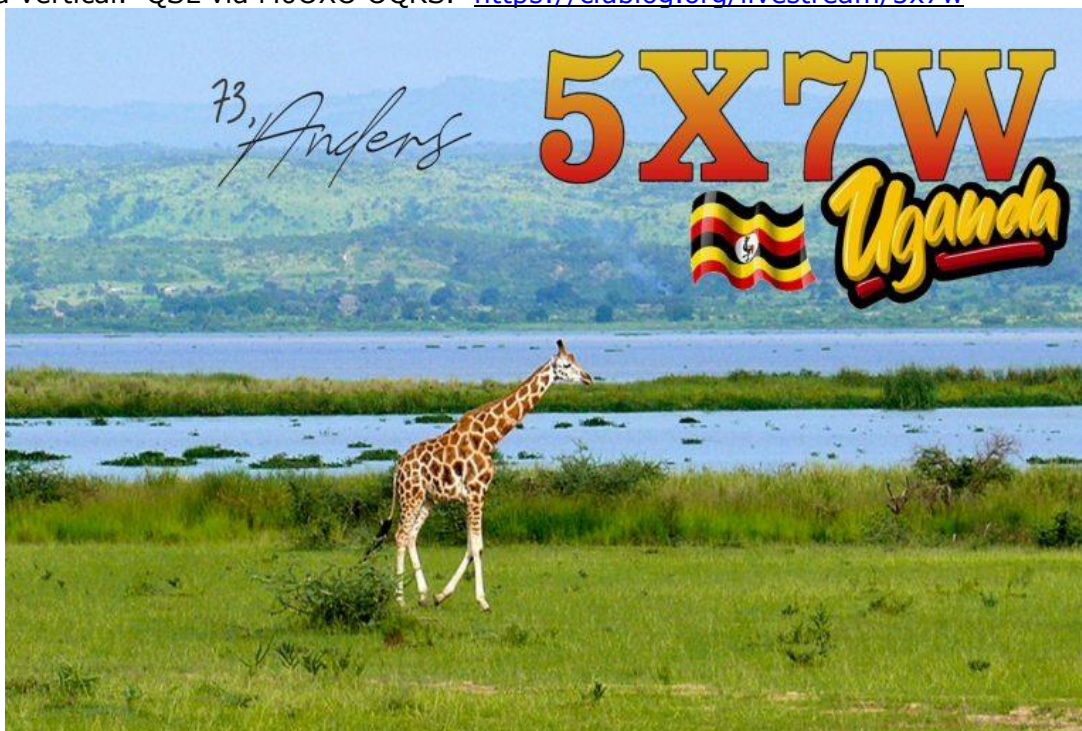
**4W, TIMOR LESTE** Satoshi, JH2EUV is active during his spare time until October 13. Operation from 80 to 6 meter and also in use is a dipole for 15m/40m installed on the roof of his QTH. Satoshi will operate throughout his stay during spare time, but stresses he does have difficulty with TVI on some bands, the same as he had before. QSL via LoTW.

**5W, SAMOA** Livio 9A7Y, Mladen 9A2NA, Borut S50B and Rolando 9A3MR are active as 5W0LM until October 14. Operation from 1.8 to 50 Mhz using CW, SSB and FT8. QTH is Malololelei near Apia. QSL via 9A3MR and LoTW.



**5X, UGANDA** The Czech DX Team (OK1BOA, OK1FCJ, OK6DJ and OK2ZA) is active as 5X3K until October 7. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via OK6DJ, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.

**5X, UGANDA** Anders, SM0HPL is once again operating as 5X7W until October 23. Operation with 5W and a vertical. QSL via M0OXO OQRS. <https://clublog.org/livestream/5x7w>



**6W, SENEGAL** Elvira, IV3FSG is once again active as 6W/call until October 16. QRV during her spare time using SSB and digi. QSL via OQRS Club Log, or via IK2DUW direct.

**A2, BOTSWANA** Sajid, VA3QY is QRV until October 8 as A22EW from 20 to 10 meter and possibly 6 meter. QSL via eQSL.

**E6, NIUE** Stan LZ1GC and Ivan LZ1PM will be operating as E6AM between October 10 and October 27. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Logsuploaded during the Dxpediton to Club Log. QSL via LZ1GC OQRS, direct or bureau.

**FH, MAYOTTE** The F6KOP team will be operating as TO8FH between October 10 and October 22. 12 Operators will be QRV from 160 to 6 meter and QO-100. <https://to8fh.wordpress.com/>

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Look for TX6D (DL7DF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO and DL7UFR) from Tahiti until October 15. Activity from 160 to 10 meter (60 meter also) using CW, SSB and digi. <http://www.dl7df.de/fo/>

**FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Vincent, K6VVK is once again QRV until October 6. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

**J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB is once again active as J88PI until October 10. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. <https://www.g4dvh.co.uk/>



**JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA** Take, JG8NQJ/JD1 is once again operating on HF using CW with some FT8. QRV until end October. QSL via JA8CJY, LoTW.

**JW, SVALBARD** Look for LA6VM as JW6VM, LA7XK as JW7XK and LA9DL as JW9DL between October 11 and October 16. They will participate in the Scandinavian Activity Contest as JW5X . Outside the contest JW6VM will operate mainly CW, JW7XK will be on satellites, while JW9DL will operate SSB and FT8. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

**KH8, SWAINS ISL** The W8S DXpedition to Swains Island is QRV until October 17. The team (DJ9RR, DL2AMD, DL6JGN, KO8SCA, NG7M, PA2KW, PA3EWP, PA4WM, PA5X and PG5M) operates CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY on all bands with six stations from two operating sites.

**T2, TUVALU** The German DXpedition Team will be operating as T2C between October 10 and October 30. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL4SVA and LoTW.

[DXpedition Tuvalu T2C - 2023 - Welcome \(mydx.de\)](#)

**T32, CHRISTMAS ISL** Bert, CX3AN is active as T32AN until October 11. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via EB7DX.

**T32, EAST KIRIBATI** Ken, KH6QJ is once again operating as T32AZ from Crystal Lodge until October 17. Operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

**V3, BELIZE** Dave, KM4DYR is operating as V31DN from Ambergris Cay until October 9. QRV on 40, 20 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call direct.

**VP9, BERMUDA** Hans DL1AOB and Dieter DL1AWD are now operating as VP9/calls. Hans is active on CW and Dieter on FT8. Length of stay is unknown. QSL via homecalls.

**ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA** Yuris YL2GM is operating as ZD9W until October 22. A solo activity, you can find out full details including bands and modes by visiting the ZD9W [page](#). DX-World will also regularly update on this activity once it begins.

See below a picture from the operating site.





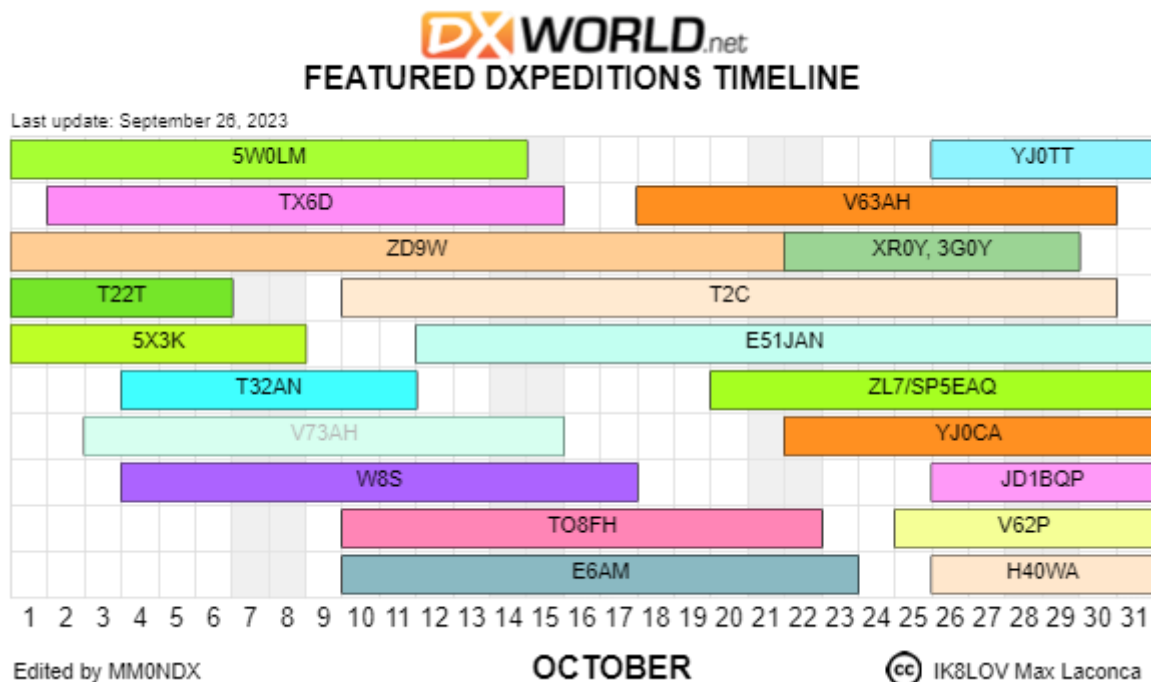
## Back in time...3D2C Conway Reef 2012



## Coming up soon

**E5, NORTH COOK ISL** Janusz, SP9FIH will be active as E51JAN from Manihiki (OC-014) from 12 October to 6 November. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. <https://e5n.dxpeditons.org/>

## DXCC Timeline



**On the scene...TX6D French Polynesia**



# **IOTA**

## **This week on air**

### **ASIA**

**AS-024 Kohama Isl** Mitsuru, JE1HXZ/6 will be operating between October 5-13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, digi. QSL via bureau or LoTW.

### **EUROPE**

**Road trip by Chris OE6CUD**

**EU-033 Vesteraleen**

**EU-046 Senja**

**EU-055 Vaeroy**

**EU-076 Lofoten**

Look for Chris from these islands until end October. Operation as LA/call on HF and QO-100. QSL via home call, direct or bureau.

**EU-017 Eolie Isl** Marcus, DJ4EL will be operating as ID9/call between October 9 and October 14. QTH at the rare Filicudi and will do some hiking and SOTA activities. See the list below:

09.10. Filicudi

10.10. Filicudi & Filicudi SOTA

11.10. Filicudi & Alicudi SOTA

12.10. Filicudi & Salina SOTA

13.10. Vulcano & Vulcano SOTA

14.10. Vulcano

Flora & Fauna:

IFF-0440 – Alicudi

IFF-0441 – Filicudi

IFF-0446 – Vulcano

IFF-0677 – Salina

**EU-054 Egadi Isl** Luca, IKAEQ is operating as IF9/call until October 10. Operation from 40 to 6 meter. A side trip is planned to the islands Levanzo and Marettimo. QSL via home call.

### **OCEANIA**

**OC-042 Luzon Isl** Mike, W6QT is active as DU3/call until end January 2024. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB and digi.

**OC-186 Maniawakan Isl** Gianpi, IK1TTD will be operating in 'holiday-style' as YB2/call between October 8 and October 22. Operation mainly on 20 meter. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

<http://www.ik1tttd.it/2023/09/it-is-time-to-travel-again.html>

**OC-195 Deal Isl** Through his work, John VK1POR is now active from Deal island (Furneaux Islands) OC-195 until December 1. He uses an IC-7300 and prefers digimodes. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, QRZ.

## **Coming up soon**

### **EUROPE**

**EU-067 Santorini Isl** Frank, PH2M will be active in 'holiday-style' as SV8/call between October 13 and October 20. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using FT8. Log upload via Club Log. QSL via home call, LoTW.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Announced DX**

#### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**CT9, MADEIRA** Helmut, DF7EE will once again be QRV as CT9/call and CQ3W between October 22 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB is included as CQ3W. QSL for both calls via Club Log.

**ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Rich, NN3W will be operating as ZF2RD between October 24-31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included with a special call. Outside the contest Rich is found on HF using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, LoTW.



### On the scene...5W0LM Samoa



### **THE REMINDERS**

**3B8, MAURITIUS** David, OK6DJ will be operating as 3B8/call between February 20 and February 27, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW and FT8 using a vertical and dipole antenna. QSL via home call, LoTW, OQRS.

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Kazu, M0CFW (JK3GAD) will once again be active as 3B9KW during the CQWW CW contest (November 25-26). Activity before/after contest (November 19 to December



1) as 3B9/M0CFW. QSL via LoTW.

**3B9, RODRIGUES ISL** Ivan, IK3ZAQ and Luca IV3JVJ will be QRV as 3B9AT between December 7 and January 6, 2024. Operation from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via IV3JVJ, LoTW.

**4W, TIMOR LESTE** A large team of 20+ operators will be operating as 4W8X in November 2023. Operation 24/7 on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. Also EME 144Mhz, 432Mhz and 1296 Mhz. An entry in the CQWW DX CW contest is included. 4W8X will have a 80m 4-Square (controller and cables sponsored by DXEngineering, many thanks). 160m will use a well-proven Titanex V160 Vertical with extensive Radials. Both antennas as close to the ocean as possible. For Receiving, we'll have two Beverages (~250m long) plus filtering/switching network to listen in four directions, independently on 160m and 80m: Europe (short path), North America (short path) Africa, same as North America (long path), South America, same as Europe (long path) 4W8X will also have two 40m 4-Squares and two 30m 4-Squares, TNX to DXEngineering. We'll not only have the equipment, we'll also have the right operators to make the best out of it. Low Band captain is Dietmar, DL3DXX. And we have quite some other Low Band freaks in the team.

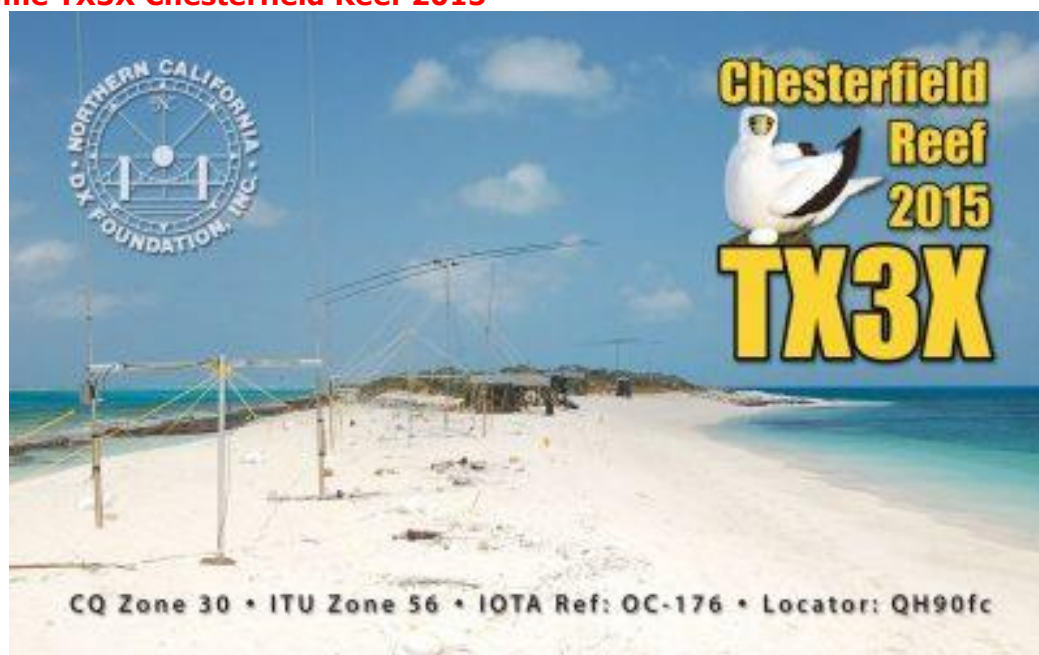
**5H, TANZANIA** Maurizio, IK2GZU will be back as 5H3MB from November 8 until December 8. He will work as a volunteer at the Ikelu hospital. Operation during his spare time on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau or direct, LoTW.

**5N, NIGERIA** The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.

**5U, NIGER** The F6KOP DXpedition postponed their plans due to the situation in Niger. As in every year the team will be composed of a dozen operators of various nationalities. We will be active on as many authorized bands and modes including QO-100. Detailed information will be provided later. Please note that F6KOP was initially supposed to go to Guyana (8R) in October. But in order not to short-circuit the young German operators who have announced they will be going there at the beginning of 2024, we have chosen to change our destination.

**5X, UGANDA** Thomas, DL7BO will be active as 5X7O from Kampala. Dates not yet known. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DJ6TF. More to follow.

### Back in time TX3X Chesterfield Reef 2015



**7P, LESOTHO** The EIDXG team will after the success of 9N7EI, 7Q7EI, 5V7EI and V26EI now be operating as 7P8EI in early 2024. A team of 15 will be QRV from 160 to 10 meter. QSL via M0OXO. More to follow.

**8R, GUYANA** "Four young ambitious DXers ranging in age from 20 to 25 years old" (namely Sven DJ4MX, Philipp DK6SP, Tomi HA8RT and Jamie M0SDV) will be active from Guyana during February 14-24, 2024 (callsign TBA). Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY. QSL via M0OXO's OQRS and LoTW. The Northern California DX Foundation will provide \$5,000 in financial support for the expedition, as they "want to encourage the next generation of DXpeditioners". NCDXF wants also "to let any planned DXpedition know that, if they request funding from NCDXF and we provide a grant, we will also underwrite the costs of a younger (ages 20-35) person/s on the trip". <https://8r-2024.com/>

**9L, SIERRA LEONE** Shabu, M0KRI will be operating as 9L5M from November 23 until December 6. Activity from 80 to 6 meter, QO100 SAT using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via G3SVK, LoTW and Club Log.

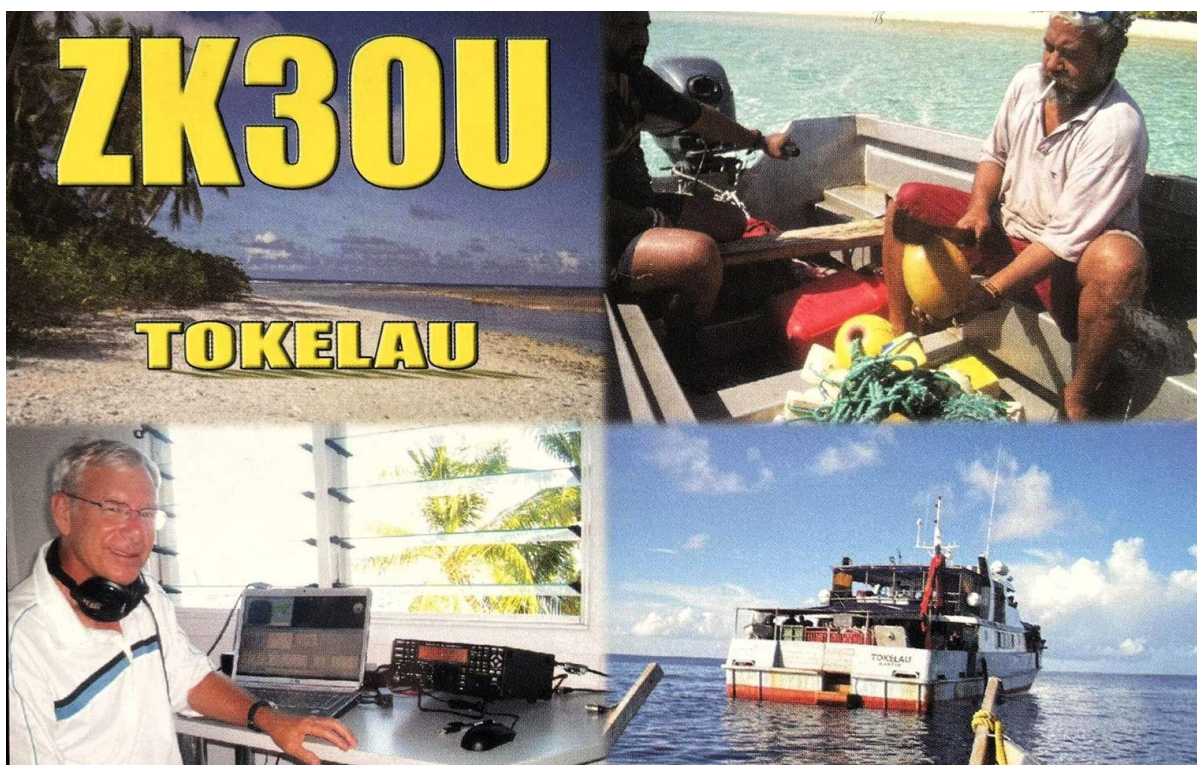
**9U, BURUNDI** Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.

**C6, BAHAMAS** Jay, WA1JAY will be operating as call/C6A between November 5-10 from Paradise Island. Activity from 40 to 10 meter on FM, SATS, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW or Club Log.

**CE0Y, EASTER ISL** Luis CE2ML and Mathias CE2LR will be active as 3G0Y (CQWW SSB contest) and XR0Y. Operation on HF using mainly CW and SSB with some FT8. QSL for both calls via CE2ML.

**CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ** A team with Nick XQ1KZ, Pablo CE1KV, Willy XQ3SA, Willy XQ3SK, Mike AB5EB, Ez HI3R, Otis NP4G, Zoli HA1AG, Trey N5KO and Marco CE1EW (Team Leader) will be operating as CB0ZA during February 13-20, 2024. Plans are to be QRV from the Juan Fernandez National Park CA-0022 from 160 to 2 meter using CW, SSB, digi and EME (6 and 2 meter). QSL via HA1AG. <http://cb0za.com/>

**CY9, ST PAUL ISL** The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9, in July/August 2024. Access to St Paul Island is only available in the two months of July and August. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.



**E6, NIUE** Michael, DF8AN will be operating as E6AJ between November 3 and November 10. Operation on HF and 6 meter using CW and digi in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.

**FH, MAYOTTE** Marek, FH4VVK will be operating as TO4VV during March 29-31, April 5-7, April 12-14 and April 20-21, 2024. Operation using SSB and FT8. QSL direct, LoTW or Club Log.

**FM, MARTINIQUE** FM5BH, FM5FJ, F5VHJ and M0MHQ (JA0JHQ) will be active from Martinique as TO5A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29, 2023). QRV in M/2 Category. QSL: USA SASE via WA6WPG. Others via F5VHJ, LoTW, OQRS, REF Bureau.

**FO0, AUSTRAL ISL** Haru, JA1XGI will be operating as TX5G between March 25 and April 3, 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and digi. QSL via LoTW.

<https://australvacation.amebaownd.com/>

**FO0, CLIPPERTON ISL** The Perseverance DX Group is planning a major DXpedition to Clipperton Island during January 18 and February 2, 2024. Plan is to be QRV as TX5S between 160 and 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. It has been 11 years since the last activation. Team members include: Jacky ZL3CW, Dave K3EL, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Walt N6XG, Rob N7QT, Glenn KE4KY, Chris N6WM, Arliss W7XU, Philippe FO4BM, Dave WD5COV and Andreas N6NU. Joining the team will be a scientist from the University of French



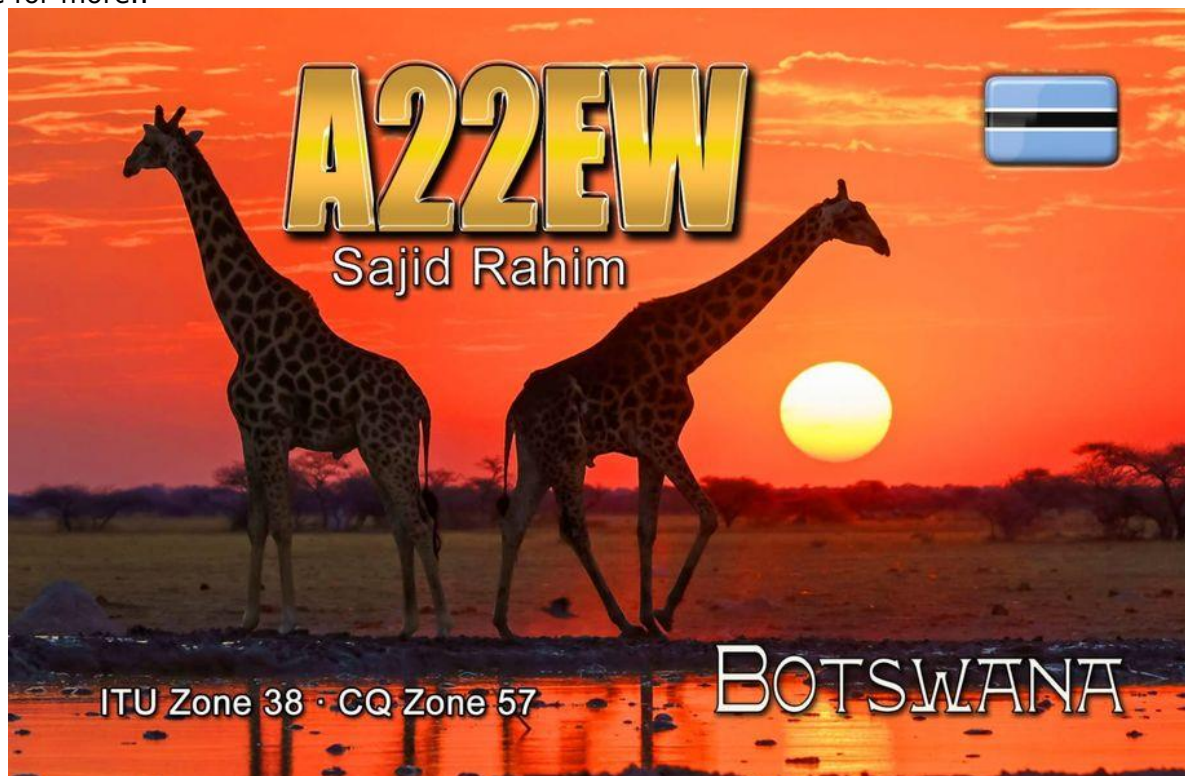
Polynesia who will conduct studies while on the island. <https://clip.pdxq.net/>

**FO/M MARQUESAS ISL** A large team with F6BCW, F6EEQ, F6FMC, F6HBI, F5VHQ, F5JRX, F5LRL, F4ISZ and F1MNQ will be active as TX7L from Hiva Oa Island during November 4-19. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8 and RTTY with 4 stations. QSL via F6EXV or Club Log OQRS.

**FS, ST MARTIN** Philip, K0CD will be QRV s FS/call during the CQWW CW contest. Perhaps he might be active a few days before and after the contest. QSL via home call.

**FT/G GLORIOSO ISL** Mark, FH4VVK will be active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL later this year. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. A website is under construction.

**FT/X, KERGUELEN** It's apparently no secret that Thierry F6CUK of FT8WW fame plans (emphasis on plans) to go with a second operator to the Kerguelen Islands in late 2024. Wait and see for more..



**FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Chris, VO1CH updates DX-World that due to Covid-19, the TO5T DXpedition to St Pierre & Miquelon has been postponed sometime in 2023. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. <http://www.to5t.com/>

**FS, ST MARTIN** The next TO9W will take place from November 26 until December 8. The 2023 team includes K9NU, N9EP, FS4WBS, W9AP and K9EL. Operation on all bands and all modes with focus on low bands and CW. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. Real-time upload via Club Log, LoTW or via W9ILY direct. <https://www.k9el.com/TO9W/TO9W.htm>

**FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA** Jacky ZL3CW will be operating as FW2CW during November 20-30. It's a CW only operation with focus on the WARC bands. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via Club Log and LoTW.

**H4, SOLOMON ISL** A team of Washington State amateur radio operators will be active as H44WA in March 2024. More to follow. <http://www.h44wa.com/>

**H40, TEMOTU** The Intrepid DX Group has released their next DXpedition to Temotu Province as H40WA between October 26 and November 9. A team of 8 operators with Rob N7QT, Paul N6PSE, Sandro VE7NY, Jun OE1JUN/JH4RHF, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR and Arliss W7XU and Walt N6XG will do efforts on the low bands using CW, SSB and FT8. [Temotu 2023 DXpedition – Intrepid DX Group \(intrepid-dx.com\)](http://intrepid-dx.com)

**J3, GRENADA** A team of Belgian low band DXers with Franky ON7RU, Marc ON4MA, Marc ON6CC, Pascal ONRA, Patrick ON4HIL and Karel ON5TN will be QRV during March 4-16, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter. More to follow.

**J6, ST LUCIA** A team with J68HZ, J69DS, WA4PGM and W0CN will be active as J62K during the CQWW SSB contest (October 28-29). QSL via K9HZ.

**J7, DOMINICA** Laurent, FM5BH will once again be QRV as J79BH between January 17 and January 24. Activity from 160 to 40 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log. At the same time, David F8AAN will be joining Laurent as J79AN. QSL via Club Log.

**J8, ST VINCENT** Gert, PA2LO will once again be QRV as J8TT between December 26 and January 5. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

**JD1, OGASAWARA** Look for JD1BQP from Chichijima between October 26 and November 2. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included, outside the contest active from 160 to 6 meter using mainly SSB. QSL via home call direct.

**P4, ARUBA** John, W2GD will once again be active as P40W between October 24 and October 30. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest focus on WARC bands and 160 CW. QSL via LoTW or N2MM.

**PJ4, BONAIRE** PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/N8VW and PJ4/K3MD will be active during November 21-28. An entry in the CQWW CW contest (Nov 25-26) as PJ4A is included. QSL: PJ4A, PJ4/K4BAI & PJ4/KU8E via K4BAI. Others via homecalls.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Tom, AA9A will once again be QRV as PJ7AA between March 2 and March 10, 2024. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log OQRS.

**PJ7, ST MAARTEN** Gary, KC9EE will once again be QRV in 'holiday-style' between November 20-29 as PJ7EE. Activity on HF primarily on CW using a vertical antenna. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included. QSL via LoTW.

**PY0T, TRINDADE** Fabio PY1ZV, Stephano PT2IC and Breto PY6RT will be QRV as PR0Y no later than November 2023. Operation for 3 or 4 days with 2 stations using CW, SSB and FT8. Due to the difficulty in getting to the remote island, as well as the rigorous protocols for authorization of travel there, since the place constitutes an environmental protection area with fairly restricted visits, the activation of the island is a rare event. The last DXpedition to Trindade took place in 2015 (PQ0T). From then on, the island remains devoid of activity. <http://www.pr0t.com.br/home/>



**PZ, SURINAME** Renato, PY8WW will be active as PZ5TW between October 25 and November 3. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

**S7, SEYCHELLES** A team with G3WPH, G4IRN, G4PVM and GD4XUM will be active S79K during the CQWW DX CW contest (November 25-26). Outside contest active as S79/homecalls.

**T8, PALAU** A JA team with JH6WDG (as T88AQ), JA6KYU (as T88HS), JR6DRH (as T88RH) and JA6EGL (as T88SM) will be active from the VIP Guest Hotel, Koror, Palau during January 12-18, 2024. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via operators instructions.

**T8, PALAU** Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be QRV as T88PB during November 10-13. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the JIDX contest is included. QSL via home call.

**TJ, CAMEROON** The MDXC DXpedition team will be operating as TJ9MD during November 2 and November 15. The 13 skilled operators of the expeditionary team IZ8CCW, IZ2GNQ, F6IRA, OK2WX, AG4W, DL8JJ, IZ4COW, IU3PMA, HB9DHG, HB9TOC, ON7RN, IK5BOH and IZ4UEZ will be QRV round the clock from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. EME will be tried also. More to follow.

**TY, BENIN** Gerard F5NVF, Abdel 7X2TT and Luc F5RAV will be active as TY5C from Cotonou during March 2024. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. They are looking for support for the local radio club TY0HQ.



**V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS** Jeff, K1ZN (author of Nifty E-Z Guide to Adventures in DXing) will be active as V4/call during February 25 and March 4. Operation on various bands. QSL via home call.

**V4, ST KITTS and NEVIS** Bob, WX4G will be active as V47RB between November 20 and December 1. An entry in the CQWW CW contest is included as V48A. Operation outside the contest from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW, Club Log.

**V5, NAMIBIA** Gunter DK2WH will be active as V51WH from November 16 until April 2024. QTH near Omaruru. Operation from 160 to 10 meter, 60 also included. During contests look for Gunter as V55Y.

**V6, MICRONESIA** A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

**V6, MICRONESIA** Miki, JJ2CJB will be operating as V63CB during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 28-29). QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

### **Favignana Island EU-054**



**VK9C, COCOS KEELING** A team with JA3GEP, JH6RTO, JA1COU and JI1LET will be active as VK9QO between November 3 and November 7. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. Sat operation QO-100 and GreenCube. QSL via JI1LET, Sat QSL via JA3GEP.

**VK9X, CHRISTMAS ISL** Chris, GM3WOJ and Keith, GM4YXI (both previously A35V, V6Z, VK9CZ, ZK2V) will be active from Christmas Island as VK9XGM during November 21 to December 5, 2023. Two stations active on SSB/CW. Also one station active on FT8 or FT4. Multi-two entry in the CQWW CW Contest 2023. *'VK9XGM will be running two separate stations. How we divide our activity between CW, SSB and FT4/8 will depend on a number of factors including conditions, QSO balances and operator fatigue!'*

**VP2M, MONTSERRAT** Thaire, W2APF will once again be active as VP2MDX between January 11 and April 11, 2024. Operation on HF using BuddiPole portable Hexbeam, Doublet for 30M, End-fed for 40M. QSL via home call, LoTW.

**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call from Anegada Isl sometime June 2024. Operation on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via QRZ.com information.

**VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL** Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

**VP9, BERMUDA** Darrell, AB2E will once again be QRV as call/VP9 between February 14-19, 2024. Operation primarily in the ARRL DX CW contest. Before and after that from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call direct or LoTW.

**XW, LAOS** A French team with F4BKV Vincent, F4HAU Diego, F2DX Patrick, F5PTM Pascal and F8AVK Julien will be operating as XW4DX. Activity between November 16 and November 27 with possible an entry in the CQWW CW contest. QRV on HF except 80 and 30 meter. Focus will be 160 and 40 meter. QSL via F4BKV, bureau or direct, Club Log, LoTW.

<https://xw4dx.f4bkv.net/>

**YJ, VANUATU** A team with NC7M (YJ0TT), K6VHF (YJ0NA), W6UC (YJ0UC) and NG7E (YJ0ET) will be QRV from Port Vila from October 26 until November 3. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using



CW, SSB and digi + 23cm EME. <https://www.dxobsessed.org/>

**YJ, VANUATU** Chris, VK2YUS will once again be active as YJ0CA between October 22 and November 5. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. QSL via home call.

**YJ, VANUATU** A team with N4VGE as team leader will be active for 2 weeks in October 2024. Activity on HF using CW, SSB and digi with an entry in the ARRL 10m contest on December 14-15.

**YN, NICARAGUA** Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. <https://www.qrz.com/db/YN5AO>

**ZC4, CYPRUS SBA** Dates still to be firmed up, however Martin MW0BRO will be active from Cyprus Sovereign Base Area as ZC4GW next March or April. Martin's main mode of operation is CW. QSL via home call.

**ZD7, ST HELENA** Chris HB9FIY will once again be active as ZD7CA for a few weeks in December 2023 / January 2024. He asks what are the most wanted bands /modes from ZD7. QSL via EA5GL.

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** A team with JF1OCQ, JA1SVP and JE1SYN will be active as ZL7A during November 9-22. Active from 160 to 6 meter + SAT IO-117 (430mHz). Equipment: 3 x transceivers, verticals and dipoles for HF. 4 element beam for 50mHz. Modes: SSB, CW, FT (F/H, MSHV), FM. QSL via JF1OCQ (direct).

**ZL7, CHATHAM ISL** Jacek, SP5EAQ is planning an one man operation as ZL7/call starting on October 20 for 2 weeks. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB only. Jacek mentions that any support from organizations and individuals would be greatly appreciated as travel costs have reached an exorbitant level. He also asks you direct any questions to his email address listed on QRZ.com. The QTH in Waitangi (ZL7) has already been secured. <http://chathams.sp7dqr.pl/>



## **IOTA**

### **THE REMINDERS**

#### **ASIA**

**AS-107 Samet Isl** E20AX/p has had to postpone the activation of Samet Island that was originally scheduled for 8-10 January 2022 because of the Omicron outbreak. A new date is yet to be set.

#### **NORTH AMERICA**

**NA-057 Roatan Isl** Alex, K6VHF will once again be active as call/HR9 between November 21-28. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via LoTW.

**NA-057 Roatan Isl** Yuri, VE3DZ will be QRV as HQ9A between October 19 and October 31. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. Outside the contest Yuri will be on HF all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS.

## **OCEANIA**

**OC-011 Chuuk Isl** A team with DL2AWG, DK2AMM, DL2AMD and DF4GV will be active from Chuuk Isl OC-011 as V6EU between November 15 and November 28. Activity from 160 to 10 meter with perhaps 60 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via DL2AWG, Club Log, LoTW.

### **OC-155 Polap Atoll**

### **OC-299 Satawal Atoll**

Cezar, VE3LYC will be active as V62P from Pulap Atoll (OC-155) from November 1 until November 7, and as V62S from Satawal Atoll (OC-299) on November 9-16. Johan, PA3EXX will be the pilot station: Cezar will be unable to check his personal email account, so "those who wish to make a report or inform me of various issues" should send their messages to willemssen[.]multiweb.nl. Donations to help offset the costs of this complex and expensive project are gratefully accepted: <https://v6iota.weebly.com/>

**Swains W8S team interviewed in Pago Pago by host John Raynor of 93KHJ radio station.**



## **Special calls**

### **THE NEWCOMERS**

**3A, MONACO** Operators from Monaco will be active with the callsign **3A70ARM** to celebrate the 70th anniversary of their national ham radio organisation during October. QSL via bureau. The recently active callsigns 3A2CB and 3A2LE were both pirates. (TNX DXNL)

**F, FRANCE** Once again the Radio Club de Nice will be active as **TM8AB** to commemorate the anniversary of the first transatlantic amateur two-way contact between Leon Deloy, F8AB and Fred Schnell, 1MO (28 November 1923). Look for activity on 80-10 metres SSB, CW, FT8 and SSTV during the weekends between 28 October and 10 December. QSL via F4KJQ. (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** The radio club F5KDC celebrates the 400th birthday of Blaise Pascal with the callsign **TM400BPA** between Oct. 6 and 16. QSL via bureau or direct. (TNX DXNL)

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** Look for **LX9S** during the 66<sup>th</sup> JOTA on October 20-22. For the 6<sup>th</sup> time HB9S will be active from the World Scout Bureau Global Support Centre in Luxembourg. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi by a large scout team. QSL via LoTW or bureau.

<https://www.qrz.com/db/LX9S>

**ON, BELGIUM** The ONZ Oostkust Radioclub (ON6HC) will be active on all bands and modes as **OR79CLM** between 13 October and 12 November, with main operations taking place on 3-5 November. The special callsign's suffix stands for Canadian Liberation March, the annual event that celebrates the liberation of the Belgian town of Knokke on 1 November 1944. QSL via the bureau. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

**W, USA** Special event stations **N0F, N1F, N2F, N3F, N4F, N5F, N6F, N7F, N8F and N9F**, plus



**KF2IRE** and **VA3FIRE** (Canada) will be active on 8-14 October for the Fire Prevention Week 2022. QSL cards for any of the FPW stations should be sent direct to Fire Prevention Week Special Event, c/o Siemens Fire Safety USA, 2 Gatehall Drive, Parsippany NJ 07054, USA

## **THE REMINDERS**

**9A, CROATIA 9A66AA** is the special callsign that Tom, 9A2AA is using throughout 2023 to mark his 66th year in amateur radio. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** Special event callsign **DM23BUGA** is active until October 8. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. The suffix stands for "Bundesgartenschau", the biennial horticulture show and festival that this year will take place in Mannheim. (TNX 425DX)

**DL, GERMANY** Radio amateurs from Rostock celebrate the 125th anniversary of the lighthouse Warnemuende with the callsign **DQ125LH** (special DOK 125LH) until the end of October. QSL via bureau, direct, DCL, eQSL. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** The DARC club V22 runs the special event station **DM775NB** (special DOK NB775) to mark the 775th anniversary of the city Neubrandenburg in 2023. QSL via bureau or direct to DM6RAC. (TNX DXNL)

**DL, GERMANY** DARC Team SES will be active as **DL110RG** from 1 September to 31 December for the 100th anniversary of the German Life Saving Association (Deutsche Lebens-Rettungs-Gesellschaft, the largest voluntary water rescue organization in the world), and as DL75BRD from 1 September to 30 June 2024 for the 75th anniversary since the Basic Law for the Federal Republic of Germany (Grundgesetz fuer die Bundesrepublik Deutschland) came into effect (23 May 1949). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; direct cards via DL2VFR. (TNX 425DX)

## **On the scene...V73ML Shack at Kwajalein Atoll**



**DL, GERMANY** Celebrating "100 years of broadcasting in Germany", special callsign **DB100RDF** is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct to DO2PZ. The first official radio entertainment programme in Germany was broadcast on 29 October 1923. (TNX 425DX)

**EI, IRELAND** Between 1 September and 31 August 2024 **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland - including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway - which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-



007). (TNX 425DX)

**F, FRANCE** Special callsigns to be active at various times during the 2023 Rugby World Cup hosted by France from 8 September to 28 October include **TM23RBY** (QSL via F8EFU and LoTW), **TM23RUGB** (QSL via F5KHG), and **TM63RWC** (QSL via F4KLW). (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Members of ARI Pordenone and ARI Belluno will be active as **II3RDV** on 1-31 October. The special callsign memorializes the 60th anniversary of the Vajont Dam disaster (9 October 1963, when a massive landslide plunged into the reservoir, causing a 250-metre high megatsunami that killed some 2000 people). QSL via IV3EHH. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** Celebrating the centenary of the National Park of Abruzzo, Lazio and Molise, special callsign **II6PN** will be in use between 1 August and 31 October, with main activity expected to take place on 1-17 September. QSL via Club Log's OQRS, LoTW, eQSL, or via IK6IHU. A certificate will be available. (TNX 425DX)

**I, ITALY** The ARI section Fidenza ([www.arifidenza.it](http://www.arifidenza.it)) runs a "Marconi was here!" award programme throughout 2023 to mark important steps and locations in Marconi's career and in the development of wireless technology:

October: **II4SML**; S. MARGHERITA LIGURE (GE): microwave RTX experiments (1931)

November: **II4CLT**; COLTANO (PI): inauguration of the first Italian intercontinental radiotelegraphic station (1911)

December: **II4CDV**; CITTA' DEL VATICANO: inauguration of the Vatican radio station (1931)

For QSL information see [qrz.com](http://qrz.com). An award, based on contacts with these stations, is also available. (TNX DXNL)

**LA, NORWAY** **LA100K** is the special callsign for the Akademisk Radioklubb, LA1K to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its foundation. Based in Trondheim, it is the oldest amateur radio club in Norway. The special callsign is in use during 2023. QSL via the bureau, or direct. (TNX 425DX)

**LX, LUXEMBOURG** **LX90RTL** is a special callsign celebrating the 90th anniversary since Radio Luxembourg made its first long wave broadcast. It will be used by various LX operators from 1 July until the end of the year. Look for activity on the HF bands SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via satellite. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the DARC bureau; the logs will be uploaded to Club Log, LoTW and eQSL on a regular basis. (TNX 425DX)

**LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special callsigns during 2023 to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ288MS** (October), and **LZ600PA** (November and December). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2023 Award" can be found at <https://www.lz1kcp.com/>. (TNX 425DX)

### Guess the QSL?



**OE, AUSTRIA** **OE40XTU** is the special callsign for OE1XTU, the Amateur Radio Club at TU Wien (the Vienna University of Technology), to celebrate its 40th anniversary during 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL (preferred), paper cards to be requested via Club Log's OQRS will be sent in early 2024. (TNX 425DX)

**ON, BELGIUM** **OQ95RCL** is the special callsign for Radio Club Leuven (ON4CP) to celebrate its 95th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, bureau, or direct to ON3AR. Free award is available see <https://hamlog.online/club/rcl/713> (TNX 425DX)

**OZ, DENMARK** FRA and EDR are celebrating the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday of HRH Prince Christian on 15 October 2023. On this occasion, there will be activity with three SES - one from each of the three countries in the Kingdom of Denmark; **OX18CHR** - **OY18CHR** - **OZ18CHR**. The activity takes place from October 9 at 00:00 UTC to October 15 at 23:59 UTC on all amateur radio bands. There will be diplomas and plaques for the most active hunters. Special QSL card may be requested via Clublog OQRS to be sent via bureau or direct.

**PA, THE NETHERLANDS** The Scouting troop Thomas More in Prinsenbeek celebrates its 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the callsign PA85TP during 2023 and the Scouting Prinsenbeek Amateur Radio Club marks its 30th anniversary with the call **PA30SPARC**. An award for QSOs with these callsigns and PI9TP is also available from the Manager Edwin, PE5ENJ ([pd5enj@msn.com](mailto:pd5enj@msn.com)). (TNX DXNL)

**SM, SWEDEN** **8S80AA** is the special callsign for the Vasteras Radio Klubb, SK5AA to celebrate its 80th anniversary throughout 2023. More information can be found on <https://www.sk5aa.se/>. QSL via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), via the bureau to SK5AA, or direct to SM5FUG. (TNX 425DX)



**TA, TURKEY** Celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary since the proclamation of the Republic of Turkey (29 October 1923), the Turkish Radio Amateurs Association (TRAC) will operate special callsigns **TC100**, **TC100TA**, **TC100TR** and **TC100YEAR** throughout 2023. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** Operated by a number of YL operators in Tasmania (VK7) and around the rest of Australia, special callsign **VI7ALARA** is active on the HF bands until 8 November to mark the Australian Ladies Amateur Radio Association's meet (<http://www.alara.org.au/>) to be held in Hobart. QSL via Club Log's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** **VK100ZL** celebrates the first trans-Tasmanian radio contact between New Zealand and Australia in 1923. QRV until the end of 2023.

**VK, AUSTRALIA** **VI100MB** is the special callsign for the Manly-Warringah Radio Society (VK2MB) to celebrate the 100th anniversary since its formation. Look for activity until 25 February 2024. QSL via LoTW and eQSL. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** "Amateur Radio", the official journal of the Wireless Institute of Australia, will reach 90 years of continuous publication in October. To mark this milestone, the WIA has obtained the special event call sign **VK90AR** for use until 31 December by any member of the WIA as well as any affiliated club. QSL via LoTW and M0OXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** **VI75G** is the callsign for the Geelong Amateur Radio Club to celebrate its 75th anniversary throughout 2023. QSL via LoTW and eQSL, or via VK3ATL (direct and bureau). (TNX 425DX)

**VK, AUSTRALIA** **VI10VKFF** is the special callsign celebrating the 10th anniversary of the World Wide Flora & Fauna (WWFF) programme in Australia (<https://www.wwffaustalia.com/>). It will be



used from Australian Parks until end 2023. QSL via LoTW, eQSL, or via VK5PAS (direct or bureau). (TNX 425DX)

**XE, MEXICO 6E0G** is a special event callsign that puts Ghost Towns on the Air until Dec. 17. QSL via XE1EE, LoTW. (TNX DXNL)

**YU, SERBIA** The Serbian Amateur Radio Union in the Vojvodina celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary with the callsign **YU75SRV** throughout 2023. QSL via Club Log, eQSL, qrz.com.

**ZL, NEW ZEALAND** Active from 1 October to 31 May 2024, **ZL6WG** is a special event callsign promoting the 98th NZART annual conference that will be held in Christchurch on 1-2 June next year. QSL via LoTW; paper cards will not be available. (TNX 425DX)

<https://hamradio.co.nz/award/>



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